

## Republic of Latvia

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## **About Consul Zirschky**

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Mr. Zirschky has a bachelor of arts in speech communications from Chapman University, a juris doctorate degree from Western State, and an LL.M. legal degree in transnational business from McGeorge Law School/Faculty of Law at the University of Salzburg, Austria.



His career includes having served as a legal counsel for various companies located in the United States and a foreign corporation located in Brussels, Belgium. He served as an adjunct professor of government contract law at the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif.

Mr. Zirschky is an Eagle Scout and has been involved in numerous civic and political affairs in the states of Washington and California.

## **About Latvia**

Location: Eastern Europe, bordering the Baltic Sea, between Estonia and Lithuania

**Size:** 24,938 square miles (slightly smaller than West Virginia)

**Population:** 2,178,443 (July 20013 est.)

**Major Industries**: Buses, vans, street and railroad cars; synthetic fibers, agricultural machinery, fertilizers, washing machines, radios, electronics, pharmaceuticals, processed foods, textiles; note –dependent on imports for energy and raw materials

Latvia is one of Europe's great "get away from it all" discoveries. With 12,310 rivers and 3,000 lakes, the country has many opportunities for boating, walking, and just enjoying the outdoors. There are many small medieval towns, country castles, museums, and folk parks to be visited.

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